

NOTICE TO ALL SHEEP PRODUCERS

August 25, 2006

The 2006 Nebraska Ram Project has been extended until the available funds have been depleted. These funds will be available on a first come, first served basis by calling the BAI office and verifying availability. Up to 10 rams can be tested per flock. In addition, up to 5 replacement ewes may be tested but must meet the following restrictions:

- Must be over 14 months of age.
- Must be black-faced or be registered Southdown or Montadale ewes.
- Owner must agree in writing to make any ewe that tests QQ, available for third eyelid testing by state or federal personnel.

As in the past, all sheep must be from a flock that has a flock number that is registered with Veterinary Services (NE1234, etc.) and all tested animals must be tagged with an official scrapie eartag. Testing will be paid for at codon 171 only, and samples must be submitted by an accredited veterinarian, with collection and submission fees paid by the owner. Additional tests (codon 136, spider test, etc.) will also be at the owner's expense. For additional information, or to verify availability, call the Bureau of Animal Industry at (402) 471-2351.